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SUBJECT: BIO DATA ON ADMIRAL EMILIO MASSERA

FOR RUBENSTEIN FROM CHAPLIN

REF: MANAGUA 2760 (NOTAL)

ADMIRAL EMILIO EDUARDO MASSERA HAS BEEN COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE NAVY SINCE 1973 AND, AS SUCH, IS ONE OF THE THREE ARMED FORCES COMMANDERS OF THE MILITARY JUNTA WHICH HAS GOVERNED ARGENTINA SINCE TAKING OVER THE COUNTRY IN MARCH, 1976. MASSERA IS AN INTELLIGENT, COMPETENT AND PROFESSIONAL OFFICER. HE IS ALSO THE MOST POLITICALLY AMBITIOUS OF THE JUNTA'S MEMBERS AND HAS ENGAGED IN POLITICAL MANEUVERING AND SUPPORT-BUILDING EFFORTS (PRESUMABLY WITH AN EYE TO SEEK THE PRESIDENCY FOR HIMSELF AS A CIVILIAN SHOULD ELECTIONS BE CALLED IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS) WHICH HAVE PROVED DIVISIVE AND PROBLEMATIC TO JUNTA PRESIDENT ARMY CINC JORGE VIDELA. MASSERA IS FRIENDLY TOWARD THE US WHERE HE SERVED AS AN ADVISOR TO THE INTERAMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD IN 1963-64 AND LATER AS A STUDENT TO THE INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE COLLEGE. HIS LAST VISIT WAS IN FEBRUARY, 1975 WHEN HE RECEIVED THE LEGION OF MERIT MEDAL. MASSERA, AGE 51, IS A STRONG, FORCEFUL PERSONALITY WITH AN EXCELLENT SENSE OF HUMOR AND AN EASY AND ARTICULATE CONVERSATIONAL MANNER. HE LIKES TO READ;
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ENJOYS YACHTING, SKINDIVING AND HORSEACING;
AND SPEAKS SOME LIMITED ENGLISH AND FRENCH. HE IS MARRIED TO DELIA ESTER VIEYRA AND HAS TWO SONS.
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